53.1 General Discussion

After substantial completion of the work, the agency shall diligently pursue contract completion. In cases where the contractor is not diligently pursuing completion, the agency shall impose liquidating damages penalties, completion of remaining work with local forces or unilateral closure and claims against the contractor.

After the construction phase of a FHWA transportation project, done either by competitive bidding or by local agency forces, specific procedures are carried out to terminate the project's finances and review project performance. These procedures are necessary in order to settle any outstanding contract obligations, and to ensure that funds were expended properly.

Chapter 53 lists requirements for closing the project accounts at WSDOT and FHWA and discusses project management reviews and project audits.

53.2 Closure

After the construction contract is complete, a 90-day project closure period begins. This closure period is initiated upon receipt of either a completion letter from the local agency or a final inspection of the project from the Region Local Programs Office. During this period, the local agency must complete the requirements described below.

No further payment will be made after the date indicated on the 90-day closure letter without the approval of Highways and Local Programs.

The local agency may request, however, that the 90-day closure period be extended. In this case, the local agency shall submit a written request to Highways and Local Programs justifying an extended closure period.

- **.21 Completion Letter.** Within 15 calendar days of completion as defined in Standard Specifications section 1-08.5 or the APWA Approved GSP by the same number, the local agency shall submit a physical completion letter to the Region Local Programs Engineer.
- .22 WSDOT Project Review. The Region Local Programs Engineer will conduct the final field inspection. It is suggested that the Region Local Programs Engineer be invited to the final project inspection with the contractor. If the final inspection reveals items that must be corrected or resolved before the project can be closed, these will be noted in the final inspection report. The Region Local Programs Engineer will work with the local agency to make the necessary corrections or to accomplish resolutions. If there is an unresolvable item indicating that a portion of project work is ineligible for FHWA reimbursement, WSDOT will issue a letter of notification outlining the ineligible work items and related costs.

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- .23 Final Billing. Within 90 calendar days of the completion date, the local agency shall submit the following documents to the Region Local Programs Engineer, clearly marked "Final Billing:"
- a. The local agency's final billing on Form PPC2.
- b. Written justification for billings exceeding the Local Agency Agreement amount. These require approval by the Director of Highways and Local Programs.

Upon receipt of the final billing, WSDOT will pay the federal share or bill the local agency as appropriate.

.24 Project Approval. Highways and Local Programs will inform the local agency when FHWA has approved the Final Voucher and will explain what records must be retained and for how long.

53.3 Project Reviews

In order to be reasonably certain that local agencies are administering FHWA funds in accordance with the Local Agency Guidelines, WSDOT will perform procedural reviews on selected local agency ad-and-award projects.

These reviews will be:

- Project Management Reviews (PMR) performed by Highways and Local Programs (See Appendix 53.51 for review questions for PMR's and Documentation Reviews) and/or
- Documentation Reviews performed by the Region Local Programs Engineer
- Project Administration Reviews (PAR) by H&LP (See chapter 62 and Appendix 62.101)

The agency may lose CA status, have its delegation of authority reduced to a project or phase of a project, or be placed on probationary CA. This may be the result of

- A PMR or Documentation Review
- An audit by the State Auditor
- Final project inspection
- The qualifications and experience of the agency staff are altered.
- **.31 PMR Preparation.** Highways and Local Programs, through the Region Local Programs Engineer, will schedule a PMR with the agency and will request that the local agency managers participate. The local agency should have all pertinent documentation ready for the scheduled review. Typical procedural review questions are listed in Appendix 53.51. Typical documents to be examined during this review are also listed in Appendix 53.51. All deficiencies will be identified for the agency at the time of the

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PMR. Copies of documentation not available at the time of review shall be submitted through the Region Local Programs Engineer within 30 calendar days. After the 30-day period, the final PMR letter will be sent to the agency.

.32 PMR Deficiencies. If no major deficiencies are found in the local agency's project management methods, the local agency will be informed in writing of the review team's findings and recommendations.

If major deficiencies exist, the local agency will be asked to take corrective action within 60 days. If the deficiencies include ineligible work, WSDOT will issue a citation letter.

If deficiencies exist in the agency's procedures, management practices, or systems, or if specific project errors are found, WSDOT's administrative response might be one or more of the following:

- No action against the agency.
- Joint conference with the Local Agency, Region Local Programs Engineer, and the Director of Highways and Local Programs or the director's designee.
- Limit or withhold the agency's future Certification Acceptance authority (Chapter 13) to the extent deemed necessary:
 - a. Allow Certification on a project-by-project basis.
 - b. Direct WSDOT to assign a Project Engineer to each project for supervision, inspection, and administration.
 - c. Contract the supervision, inspection, and administration to a consulting firm.
 - d. Delay project authorization until adequate supervision, inspection, and administration is available from the local agency, WSDOT, or consultants.
- Establish a repayment plan when violations to procedures make certain
 expenditures ineligible for federal reimbursement. Per Section VII of the
 Local Agency agreement, withholding of funds from the local agency's
 gasoline tax distribution may be necessary if a satisfactory repayment plan
 is not established within 45 days.

53.4 Financial and Compliance Audit

- .41 By the State Auditor. The local agency is responsible for ensuring that an audit is performed in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. WSDOT is also responsible for ensuring that FHWA funds are properly expended. The State Auditor will therefore audit each local agency.
- **.42 By WSDOT.** A project audit by WSDOT Auditors is triggered by deficiencies found during:

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a. A routine audit by the State Auditor, either on an FHWA project or on any other project where federal funds are involved.

- b. A documentation review.
- c. A project management review.
- d. PAR
- .43 **Project Records.** Project records shall be maintained in accordance with the terms of the Local Agency Agreement and shall be made available to the audit personnel upon request. It is helpful if field notes and other documentation are available in sufficient detail to facilitate the audit review.
- .44 Audit Report. The state auditor will submit a formal audit report to the Director of Highways and Local Programs and to FHWA. If findings on a particular audit arise, Highways and Local Programs will contact the agency to confirm the findings and coordinate resolution with the agency and Highways and Local Programs. Audit findings must be resolved within six months of the date that the audit report is issued. Audits will normally include the following categories:
- Interagency Agreements
- Land Development or Land Acquisition Projects
- Tier Contracting Procedures
- Fund Management Transactions
- Accounting Methods Cash or Accrual
- DBE-EEO Practices
- Use of Grant Acquired Equipment

53.5 Appendices

- 53.51 Project Review Checklist
- 53.52 Final Inspection of Federal Aid Project
- 53.53 Quarterly Report of Amounts credited as DBE Participation

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NAME OF CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR						PROJECT OF	Expires: 03/31/2003 PROJECT OR CONTRACT NO.	03/31/2003
	FOR WEEK ENDING		PROJECT AN	PROJECT AND LOCATION				
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Date	(b) WHERE FRINGE BENEFITS ARE PAID IN CASH	N CASH
I, (Name of Signatory Party) (Title) do hereby state:	■ Each laborer or mechanic if as indicated on the payroll, basic hourly wage rate plus in the contract, except as n in the	Each laborer or mechanic listed in the above referenced payroll has been paid, as indicated on the payroll, an amount not less than the sum of the applicable basic hourly wage rate plus the amount of the required fringe benefits as listed in the contract, except as noted in Section 4(c) below.
(1) That I pay or supervise the payment of the persons employed by	(c) EXCEPTIONS	
(Contractor or Subcontractor)		
; that during the payroll period commencing on the	EXCEPTION (CRAFT)	EXPLANATION
day of		
(Contractor or Subcontractor)		
weekly wages earned by any person and that no deductions have been made either directly or indirectly from the full wages earned by any person, other than permissible deductions as defined in Regulations, Part 3 (28 CFR Subtile A), issued by the Secretary of Labor under the Copeland Act, as amended (48 Stat. 948, 63 Start. 108, 72 Stat. 967; 76 Stat. 357; 40 U.S.C. 2765), and described below:		
	REMARKS:	
(2) That any payrolls otherwise under this contract required to be submitted for the above period are correct and complete; that the wage rates for laborers or mechanics contained therein are not less than the applicable wage rates contained in any wage determination Incorporated into the contract; that the classifications set forth therein for each laborer or mechanic conform with the work he performed.		
(3) That any apprentices employed in the above period are duly registered in a bona fide apprenticeship program registered with a State apprenticeship agency recognized by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, United States Department of Labor, of if no such recognized agency exists in a State, are registered with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, United States Department of Labor.		
(4) That: (a) WHERE FRINGE BENEFITS ARE PAID TO APPROVED PLANS, FUNDS, OR PROGRAMS	NAME AND TITLE	SIGNATURE
 in addition to the basic hourly wage rates paid to each laborer or mechanic listed in the above referenced payroll, payments of fringe benefits as listed in the contract have been or will be made to appropriate programs for the benefit of such employees, except as noted in Section 4(c) below. 	THE WILLFUL FALSIFICATION OF ANY OF THE ABO SUBCOMPACTOR TO CANLU OR CHIMINAL PROSECUTION 31 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.	THE WILEUL FALSIFICATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE STATEMENTS MAY SUBJECT THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTR TO CHULLOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION, SEE SECTION 1001 OF TITLE 18 AND SECTION 231 OF TITLE 31 OF THE UNITEDSTATES CODE.

Appendix 53.51

Local Agency Project Management Review Checklist

Age	gency:		Date:		
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Rev	iewers:				
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13	<u> </u>	nization and CA Agreement			
	Action		Approving Authority		
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		ct Award			
		ct Administration			
	Preliminary E				
		Project Development Check	list		Date://
	24	NEPA Approval			Date://
	42	Design Matrix Checklist		Yes	No
	43.1	Design Approved By:			Date://
	44.1	PS&E Approved By:			
	44.22	Agency Supplied Materials			
	44.22	Sole Source Items?	Yes No		
	21.1	Changes in Scope, Limits, C	Character, Cost?	Yes	No
	44.22	Tied Bids Approved By:			Date://
	Advertising an	nd Award:			
	46.21	FHWA Construction Author	ization Date:		
	46.24	Advertising Dates:			
	46.24	Three Week Advertising Per	riod?	Yes	No
	46.24	Affidavits of Publication in	File?	Yes	No
	46.25	Bid Opening Date:			
	46.27	Award Date:			
	46.26	Award to Lowest Bidder?	Yes No		
		If Not, Explain:			
	46.28	Contract Execution Date:			
	46.28	Contract Award Amount:			
	46.3	Award Information Transmi	tted to WSDOT?	Yes	No

		52	First Working Day:	No. of Wo	orking Days:		
			No. of Working Days Com	plete:			
		52.2	Preconstruction Conference	e Minutes R	Review:		
			Meeting held?	Yes	_ No		
			Meeting documented?	Yes	_ No		
44.1	Commi	tment I	File:				
		24.94	Environmental and Permit	Conditions	Met	Yes	No
LAG	Ref.						
25	Right-o	of-Way					
		Right-o	of-Way Acquired	Yes	_ No		
		Right-o	of-Way Acquisition Procedu	res Dated: _			
			Listing of Right-of-Way S	taff Current		Yes	No
		25.11	Project Right-of-Way Cert	ification Dat	ted:	/	/
52	Admini	istrative	Settlements				
		52.51	Were any claims settled by	Administra	tive Settlement?	Yes	No
			Were claims submitted to	Local Progra	ıms Engineer?	Yes	No
			Comments:				
		52.1	Project Diaries and Inspec	tor's Daily F	Reports signed and		
52 4	Dovmoll	G.				1es	No
52.4	Payroll	S:	Wage Rates Included in Co	antroat?		Vac	No
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			Checked and Initialed by A	Aganay?			No
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	Trainin	ıg:					
			Training Goal Set?				
			Training Plan Approved by	Agency:		Yes	No
			Training Goal Met?	Yes	_ No	_ Hours _	
			Comments:				

26	DBE Complian	nce:			
	26.2	DBE Goal Set:	_%		
	26.2	DBE Condition of Award Amount: \$			
	26.2	How Was DBE Certification Verified Prior to Award?			
	52.5	Change Orders Affects on DBEs:	Yes	No	
	52.5	Additional Work Provided to DBEs?	Yes	No	
	52.5	Any Changes to DBE Goals?	Yes	No	
	26.2	DBE goal changes approved by H&LP?	Yes	No	
	26.2	Quarterly Report of Amounts Credited as DBE Partic	ipation		
		Sent to Region Local Programs Engineer?	Yes	No	
	Contra	act Completion:			
	52.81	Completion Date:			
	52.81	Completion Letter to Contractor transmitted to Local	Programs:	Yes No	·
	52.83	End of Project Materials Certification From Project E Approving Authority Date:			
44	Traffic Contro	I			
	44.22e	TCP or K Plans in contract accepted by Contractor?	Yes	No	
	44.22e	Detour included in contract?	Yes	No	
	44.22e	If yes, agreements included in contract?	Yes	No	N/A
31	Consultant Ag	reements	Yes	No	
		Agreement renewed prior to expiration date?	Yes	No	
		Fee Type?			
		Advertisements on file?	Yes	No	
		Selection Process on file?	Yes	No	

Agency Justified Independently -/+ Q/M Cost Change +/-Major Items Involved Construction Contract Administration: (Change Orders) Written App. Date Verbal App. # OO

Prime a	Prime and Subcontractor Information	mation								
	Name	Amount	Request to Sublet 421-012	DBE	Fed. Aid Certification 420-004	Statement of Intent to Pay Prev.Wages F700-029-000	Wage Rate Interview 424-003	DBE Review 272-051	Affidavit of Wages Paid F700-007-000	Payroll
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Materials Documentation Review – Aggregate Item

Agency:		Project Title:
Federal Aid Number:		
Reviewed by:		Date:
Bid Item:	Material:	
•	Revised Quantity Field Note Record	Paid Quantity
	RAM #	
_		Scale Certification
	Acceptance Test	
	Certified Ticket	Maximum Density Curve
Compaction Test	Small Quantity	Visual Inspection
Invoice Date: / / Comments:	Quantity on Invoice:	Ticket Veritification:
Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:	

Materials Documentation Review – Asphalt Item

Agency:	Project Title):
Federal Aid Number:		
Reviewed by:	Date:	
Bid Item:	Material:	
Lag Exception Noted ROM Maintained Qualified Products List Acceptance Test-AC Scale Certification	Field Note Record RAM # Codes Prelim. Sample-Agg./AC Approved Mix Design # Scaleman's Daily Report	Paid Quantity Approved Source-Pit #/AC Acceptance Test-Agg. Bill of Lading-AC Certified Ticket Small Quantity
Invoice Date: / / Comments:	Quantity on Invoice: Invo	ice Veritified:
Accontable:	Deficiency as Noted:	
Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:	_

Materials Documentation Review - Concrete Item

Agency:	Project Title:
Federal Aid Number:	
Reviewed by:	Date:
Bid Item:	Material:
Lag Exception Noted ROM Maintained	Revised Quantity Paid Quantity Field Note Record RAM # Codes Plant Certificate
Mill Test Report-Bulk PC Certified Ticket	Appr. Source-Mfg. Item Qualified Products List Acceptance Test-Agg. Acceptance Test-Bag PC Approved Mix Design # Cert. of Material Origin Cylinder/Beam Breaks Conc. Pipe Acc. Report Small Quantity Visual Inspection
Invoice Date: / / Comments:	Quantity on Invoice: Invoice Veritified:
Accentable:	Deficiency as Noted:
Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:

Materials Documentation Review - Metal Item

Agency:		Project Title:
Reviewed by:		Date:
Bid Item:	Material:	
Plan Quantity	Revised Quantity	Paid Quantity
Lag Exception Noted	Field Note Record	
ROM Maintained	RAM #	
Qualified Products List	Mfg. Certificate	Cert. of Material Origin
Shop Drawing	Test Report	Fabrication Approved
Sign Acceptance Report	Bill of Lading	Approved for Shipment
Small Quantity	Visual Inspection	
Invoice Date: / / Comments:	Quantity on Invoice:	Ticket Veritification:
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Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:	

Materials Documentation Review - Wood Item

Agency:	Projec	t Title:
Federal Aid Number:		
Reviewed by:	Date:	
Bid Item:	Material:	
	Revised Quantity	Paid Quantity
Lag Exception Noted	Field Note Record	
ROM Maintained	RAM # Codes	Approved Source
Qualified Products List	Preliminary Sample	Lbr. Grading Cert.
Approved for Shipment	Small Quantity	Visual Inspection
Invoice Date: / /	Quantity on Invoice:	Invoice Veritified:
Comments:		
Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:	

Materials Documentation Review - Electrical Item

Agency:	Projec	t Title:
Federal Aid Number:		
Reviewed by:	Date:	
Bid Item:	Material:	
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	Field Note Record	
	RAM # Codes	Approved Source
	Preliminary Sample	Acceptance Test
	Cert. of Material Origin	Shop Drawing
	Mill Test Report	Catalog Cut
Small Quantity	Visual Inspection	
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Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:	

Materials Documentation Review - All Items

Agency:	Projec	Project Title:				
Federal Aid Number:						
Reviewed by:	Date:					
Bid Item:	Material:					
•	Revised Quantity	Paid Quantity				
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	RAM # Codes	Approved Source				
Qualified Products List	Preliminary Sample	Acceptance Test				
Approved Mix Design #	Bill of Lading	Scale Certification				
Certified Ticket	Scaleman's Daily Report	Mfg. Certificate				
Catalog Cut	Shop Drawing	Mill Test Report				
WSDOT Inspected	Maximum Density Curve	Compaction Test				
Cylinder Breaks	Small Quantity	Visual Inspection				
Invoice Date: / / Qua	antity on Invoice:	Invoice Veritified:				
Comments:						
Acceptable:	Deficiency as Noted:					

Bid Item Documentation Review – Mobilization

Ą	gency:	Project Title:					
	deral Aid Number:						
Re	eviewed by:	Date:					
St	andard Specification 1-09.7 Mobilization						
Co	ontract Bid Amount	Mobilization Bid Amount					
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	% of Contract Bid Amount						
M	obilization Paid on Estimate No.						
	ontract Items Paid that Estimate	Mobilization Paid that Estimate					
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C	ontract Items Paid that Estimate	Mobilization Paid that Estimate					
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2.	When 10 percent of the total original contract amount paid for materials on hand, 100 percent of the amount contract amount, whichever is the least, will be paid.	is earned from other contract items, excluding amounts bid for mobilization, or 10 percent of the total original					
3.	When the substantial completion date has been established for the project, payment of any amount bid for mobilization in excess of 10 percent of the total original contract amount.						
Aco	ceptable Corrections Needed						

Washington Star Department of	te Transportation	Federal Aid Project Constructed Under 23 U.S.C. 11						
Project Title								
Federal Aid Number	Contract Numb	er	Agency					
Date of Inspection	Inspectio	n Made By						
Compliance Marking and signing in conform Clear Zone requirements met? NEPA requirements met? ADA requirements met? Comments: Notable Items (i.e., labor dispu		Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No	wns, etc.):					
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Signature of Local Programs Eng	gineer		Date					

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☐ 2nd Quarter - April (Jan Mar.) ☐ Final				Federal Er	mployer I.D. Number		
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Name and Federal Employer I.D. Number		Туре	Payment	*Dollar Credit Amoun			
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Signature		Title _					
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